

Tuesday, July 20, 1999

Launch scrubbed at 7 seconds,  
next attempt in 48 hours



Women in space  
subject of forum



▲ **Suited Up But No Place To Go!** The STS-93 crew were eager to start their mission, as this photo of the walkout from the O&C Bldg. shows. Just over an hour later, the Space Shuttle Columbia gave a valiant effort for launch, but prior to main engine ignition, a sensor indicator of a

high level of hydrogen was noted in the aft engine compartment and the launch was scrubbed at the 7-second mark. Launch has been rescheduled for 12:28 a.m. July 22.

▲ **STS-93 has generated much attention for and** about the accomplishments of women. Donna Shalala, Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services; Donna Shirley, Ph.D., the first woman leading the Mars Exploration Program; Marta Bohn-Meyer, the first SR-71 female pilot; Jennifer Harris, flight director, Mars Pathfinder; and astronauts Sally Ride, Kathryn Sullivan, Yvonne Cagle, and Ellen Ochoa, took part in a forum Tuesday, July 19, to discuss women's roles in the "Past,

Present and Future of Space." The moderator was ABC News Correspondent Lynn Sherr.

◆ **National Action Council For Minorities In Engineering, Inc. (NACME)** is a not-for-profit corporation that seeks to increase access to careers in engineering and other science-based disciplines. NACME will host Forum '99, Sept. 22-25, 1999, at the Disney's Contemporary Resort, Lake Buena Vista, Florida. If you need additional information, please contact Roslyn McKinney at 867-8025, or Wanda Petty at 867-2307. You can also check out their Web site: <http://www.nacme.org>

◆ **Where will NASA find the engineers of the future?** They could be working at NASA sites all across the nation today as part of the NASA-wide sponsorship of the Summer High School Apprenticeship Research Program (SHARP). KSC has 26 SHARP apprentices this summer, working on projects. The program culminates with a final research paper and the students' synopses of their projects and experiences. Their presentations will be given July 30, in the Universe Theater, KSC Visitors Complex. For more information, contact Education Services, 867-4444.

◆ **Did You Know? SGS contractors are holding picnics** for employees to hear a review of the SGS evaluation as contractors of choice. Picnics are scheduled Wednesday, July 21, at KARS II, and Wednesday, July 28, at Port Pavilion on CCAS. Employees may attend either during their lunch hour. Hours for both events are 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Food will be served by the Recreation Club.

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